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1. TUNIS DAILIES MAY 19 GIVE FRONT PAGE PLAY TO TRADE UNION LEADER HABIB ACHOUR'S MEETING WITH COL QADHAFI DURING MAY 14-17 VISIT TO TRIPOLI AND ACHOUR'S MAY 12 TUNIS ARRIVAL STATEMENT EXPRESSING OPTIMISM ON FUTURE OF TUNISIAN-LIBYAN RELATIONS. "LA PRESSE" AND "LE TEMPS" CARRY FULL TEXT OF MAY 17 UGTT/LIBYAN TRADE UNION COMMUNIQUE, HEADLINED IN LATTER, "APPEAL TO LEADERS TO PUT AN END TO THEIR DISPUTE". ALSO REPORT ACHOUR' MAY 18 INTERVIEW WITH PRIME MINISTER NOUIRA PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FOR THREE-DAY VISIT TO TOME, AGAIN ON UNION BUSINESS.

2. "LE TEMPS" NOTES AFP DESPATCH THAT FORMER LIBYAN PRIME MINISTER ABDESSALEM JALLOUDD SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE MAY 18 IN ROME AND "DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES" EXPECTED HIS DISCUSSIONS WOULD
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TREAT CONTINENTAL SHELF QUESTION AND WITHDRAWAL OF "SCARABEO IV" DRILLING RIG FROM GULF OF GABES.

3. TUNIS PAPERS ALSO CARRY TAP RELEASE NOTING FOREIGN MINISTER CHATTY, STILL IN TRIPOLI AT ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING, HAD MET SEPARATELY, AFTERNOON OF MAY 17, WITH FOREIGN MINISTERS OF SAUDI ARABIA, AND SYRIA AND HAS ALSO MET WITH

FOREIGN MINISTER OF UNITED ARAB EMIRATES.
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